

'Pre' Paces Oregon Win

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PULLMAN, Wash. — Led by distance ace Steve Prefontaine, Oregon Saturday won the Northern Cross-Country Championship with 35 points as Washington State placed second on 43.

Prefontaine won over the new six-mile course at the WSU golf course in 29 minutes, 47 seconds, establishing a record for the new route. WSU's Don Smith was second in 30:22, about 200 yards back, and Cougar Mark Hiefield placed third at 30:45.

The Ducks, who do not compete in cross-country dual meet basis but may have strength to win the NCAA Championship, wrapped it up when Spokane's Randy James placed fifth and Steve Savage was sixth.

Prefontaine took the lead after 440 yards, shook off an early challenge by Oregon State's Keith Munson and had increased his lead to 150 yards at the half-way mark.

1. Steve Prefontaine, Oregon, 29:47. 2. Don Smith, WSU, 30:22. 3. Mark Hiefield, WSU, 30:25. 4. Keith Munson, OSU, 30:45. 5. Randy James, Oregon, 30:46. 6. Steve Savage, Oregon, 31:00. 7. Leonard Hill, OSU, 31:09. 8. Graham Hutchinson, WSU, 31:10. 9. Mark Savage, Oregon, 31:18. 10. Jim Johnson, UW, 31:25. 11. Spencer Lyle, OSU, 31:31. 12. Paul Carey, OSU, 31:38. 13. Wayne Ristau, WSU, 31:44. 14. Richard Ritchie, Oregon, 31:48. 15. Keith Anderson, UW, 31:51. 16. Paul Tyson, Oregon, 32:00. 17. Tom Robinson, WSU, 32:01. 18. Dean Clark, WSU, 32:07. 19. Bill Koss, UW, 32:30. 20. James Chaffin, UW, 32:39. 21. Rich Albright, UW, 32:42. 22. Rick Gardner, OSU, 32:43. 23. Wes Smylie, Oregon, 32:48. 24. Tim Jordan, UW, 32:57. 25. Bill Smart, UW, 33:25. 26. Dan Drechsel, OSU, 34:00. 27. Bob McCarthy, OSU, 34:11. 28. Jerry Morton, WSU, 35:17.

Team Scoring — 1. Oregon 35; 2. Washington State 43; 3. Oregon State 56; 4. Washington 85.

Oregon 35

[1-5-6-9-14-(16-23)]

Wash St 43

[2-3-8-13-17-(18-28)]

Ore St 56

[4-7-11-12-22-(26-27)]

Wash 85

[10-15-19-20-21-(24-25)]